(a) whether it is a fact that commercialisation of agriculture production including agro-processing through private sector participation, can enhance the income of farmers;

(b) if so, measures taken in this direction; and

(c) the results achieved, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The National Agriculture Policy, which is in final stage of drafting, seeks to promote a demand-driven growth of agriculture, responding to the needs of domestic and world markets with a focus on development of supportive infrastructure, including agro-processing units in the producing areas.

Fishing Harbours

1529. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:
SHRI K. M. SAIFULLAH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up fresh fishing harbours;

(b) if so, the details of locations thereof;

(c) the target for completion of the harbours; and

(d) the amount to be spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) to (c) Based on the recommendations of the Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery, Bangalore the Government of India propose to develop 13 fishing harbours during the Ninth Five Year Plan. A State/Union Territory-wise list of proposed sites is enclosed. (*see* below)

(d) The tentatively estimated cost of the proposed fishing harbours is Rs. 223.81 crores.

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State/Union Territory-wise List of Fishing Harbours proposed to be set up in the Country

State/UT	Name of Fishing Harbour
Maharashtra	1. Agardanda
Gujarat	2. Okha 3. Umbergaon
Tamil Nadu	4. Rameshwaram
Karnataka	5. Gangolli 6. Alvekodi
West Bengal	7. Harwood Point 8. Diamond Harbour
Kerala	9. Muthalapozhy 10. Ponnani
Goa	11. Chicalim Bay
Pondicherry	12. Karaikal
Andhra Pradesh	13. Krishnapatnam

Indian Agriculture Stastical Research Institute

1530. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Agriculture Statistical Research Institute (IASRI) under Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) contracts its annual maintenance work through CPWD or through private contracts;

(b) whether the landscaping and beautification work in IASRI for the period 1997—99 is done through open quotation;

(c) if so, the annual budget for the landscaping and beautification of IASRI for the period 1997—99, yearwise; and

(d) if not the reason for not going through quotation?